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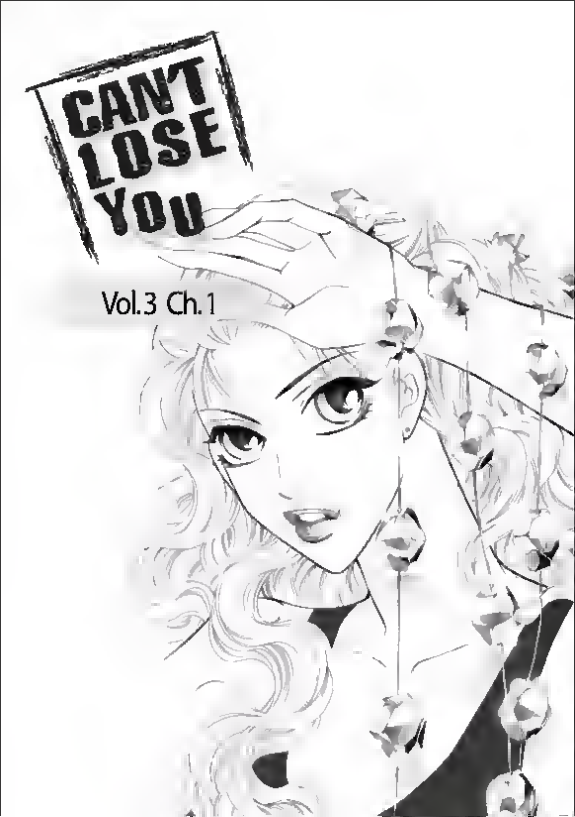
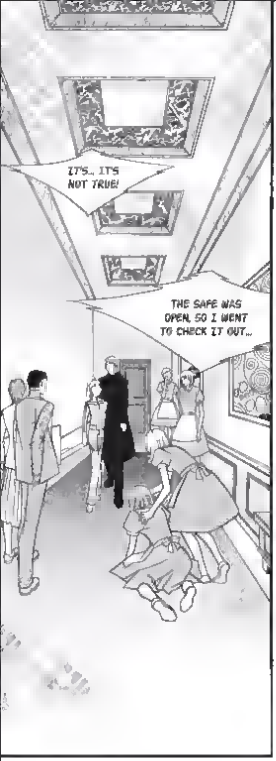
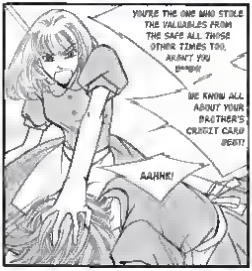


13. LIDA


IT'S... IT'S NOT TRUE!
THE SAFE WAS OPEN, SO I WENT TO CHECK IT OUT...

QUIT LYING!
THEN WHY DO YOU HAVE A SECRETLY MADE SAFE KEY IN YOUR POCKET?


YOU'RE THE ONE WHO STOLE THE VALUABLES FROM THE SAFE ALL THOSE OTHER TIMES TOO, AREN'T YOU?!
WE KNOW ALL ABOUT YOUR BROTHER'S CREDIT CARD DEBT!
AAHHH!

STOP IT!

DID YOU REALLY STEAL FROM THE SAFE?
SHAKE
SHAKE
DO YOU THINK ANYONE WOULD BELIEVE SOMEONE LIKE YOU?
GRIP
DID YOU FIND THE MISSING ITEMS IN JOON'S POSSESSION?

WELL.. SHE MUST'VE HIDDEN THEM SOMEWHERE!
SINCE SHE'S SUCH A CUNNING GIRL.. SHE COULD'VE HAD AN ACCOMPLICE?
HOW MANY TIMES HAS THIS HAPPENED BEFORE?
YOU SAID YOU CAUGHT HER IN THE ACT. SO WHEN DID SHE HAVE TIME TO HIDE THEM?
...YOU'RE NOT MAKING ANY SENSE.
F...FIVE TIMES. ANTIQUES, WATCHES... THEY WERE ALL VALUABLES.
UMM SECRETARY OH YOU CAN LOOK INTO THE BANK ACCOUNTS OF THE RESIDENT EMPLOYEES, RIGHT?
SEE IF THERE WERE ANY CASH DEPOSITS MADE AROUND THOSE FIVE TIMES.

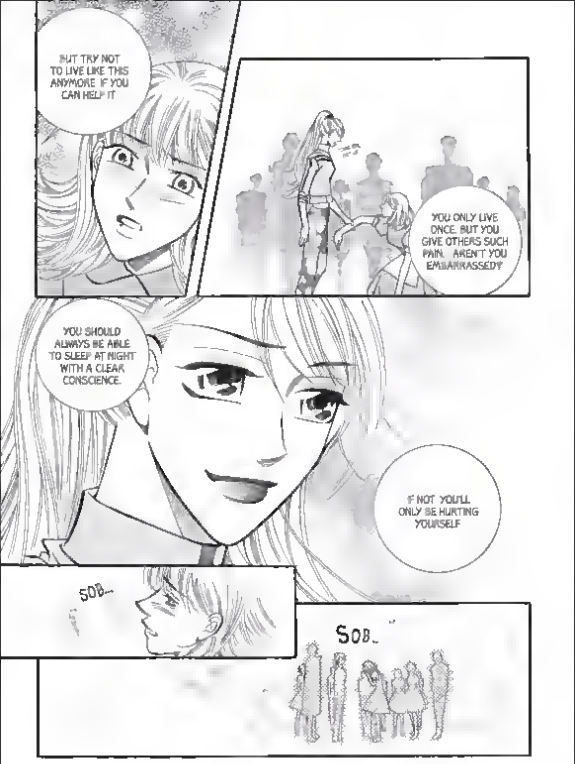
THEN DO IT
IF SHIMBUNE DID THIS BECAUSE SHE NEEDED THE MONEY, SHE WOULDN'T HAVE HAD TIME TO DISPOSE OF THE STOLEN VALUABLES AT HER LEISURE.
ONCE OR TWICE COULD BE A COINCIDENCE, BUT NOT FIVE TIMES.
THAT WOULD BE POSSIBLE IF WE CALL THE POLICE AND ASK FOR AN INVESTIGATION, BUT...
BUT MY LADY...
YOU HATE HAVING THE POLICE IN THE HOUSE MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE...
STOOM
WE HAVE CAUGHT THE SUSPECT SO I WILL HANDLE THIS QUIETLY
SOZZ...
WHY NOT LEAVE THIS TO ME.

JUST LIKE YOU ALWAYS DO...!
BUT JOO1 SAID SHE DIDN'T DO IT!
SHE CAN NEVER GET ANOTHER JOB IN THIS LINE OF WORK IF SHE GETS FIRED FOR SUSPICION OF STEALING!
ARE YOU SAYING YOU BELIEVE SOME LOWLY MAID'S LOUSY EXCUSE?
YES, I AM!

FOR NOW WE SHOULD BELIEVE HER!
BECAUSE EVERYONE DESERVES A CHANCE!
I UNDERSTAND

FALTER
STOP HER!
PPA
PLEASE FORGIVE ME!
I WAS SO DESPERATE...
PLEASE JUST THIS ONCE..!

YOU THOUGHT YOU'D GET CAUGHT IF THE TRAIL GOT TOO LONG, SO YOU TRIED TO FRAME SOMEONE ELSE, HUH!
WHY YOU...!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? CALL THE POLICE RIGHT NOW!
WE HAVE TO PUT HER BEHIND BARS TO TEACH HER A LESSON
AIEEE
LET HER GO
MA'AM..?
RETURN THE VALUABLES THAT YOU HAVEN'T SOLD
I WON'T HOLD IT AGAINST YOU.


BUT TRY NOT TO LIVE LIKE THIS ANYMORE IF YOU CAN HELP IT
YOU ONLY LIVE ONCE. BUT YOU GIVE OTHERS SUCH PAIN. AREN'T YOU EMBARRASSED?
YOU SHOULD ALWAYS BE ABLE TO SLEEP AT NIGHT WITH A CLEAR CONSCIENCE.
IF NOT, YOU'LL ONLY BE HURTING YOURSELF
SOB...
SOB...

HOW DID YOU KNOW?
I DIDN'T
—?
I JUST TRUSTED HER.
I WAS ACCUSED OF STEALING ONCE WHEN SOME MONEY DISAPPEARED FROM A RESTAURANT WHERE I WORKED.
BUT NO ONE TOOK MY SIDE.
BECAUSE YOU COULD GET IN TROUBLE YOURSELF IF YOU TRY TO STICK UP FOR SOMEONE ELSE.
AT THAT TIME, I THOUGHT
THAT NO ONE SHOULD HAVE TO ENDURE SUCH TREATMENT

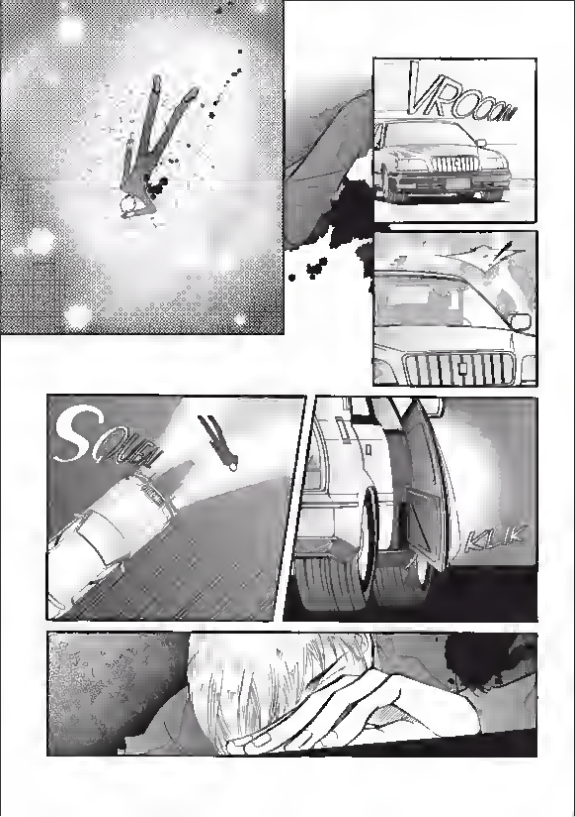
THAT AT LEAST I SHOULD BECOME THE KIND OF PERSON THAT TRUSTS PEOPLE, NO MATTER WHO THEY ARE, UNTIL THE END.
SAME HERE.
...
IT WASN'T ME!
SHUT UP! YOU LITTLE THIEF!

I GOT SENT TO A JUVENILE CORRECTION CENTER FOR STEALING WHEN I WAS 5 YEARS OLD
EVEN THOUGH I WAS INNOCENT
BUT AFTER THAT.. I ACTUALLY BEGAN TO DO BAD THINGS
STUFF LIKE TRUTH WAS USELESS THE ONLY THING THAT COULD PEASUADE OTHERS WAS STRENGTH
IN ORDER TO SURVIVE EACH DAY I BECAME MORE VENOMOUS.. AND MORE CRUEL.
BEFORE I KNEW IT I HAD BECOME A HITMAN FOR THE RUSSIAN MAFIA.

ILYA...
HOLD ON...
RU... RU...
RU... RU...
SLAAAP...
RUSSIAN MAFIA?!
THE CRAZIEST GANG IN THE WORLD...
SH - SH - SH - SHUFFLE...
ARE YOU SCARED?
HA HA
YOU'RE RIGHT. I'M A SCARY GUY
YOU CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE THE THINGS THAT I DID
KILLING AND BEING KILLED. THAT'S PROBABLY HOW I WOULD HAVE DIED TOO...
IF I HADN'T MET LIDA

UHM. HOW DID YOU MEET LIDA?
YOU'RE NOT JUST A HIRED BODYGUARD RIGHT?
WELL...
RECENTLY THE RUSSIAN MAFIA HAS BEEN EXPANDING ITS POWER IN KOREA WITH BUSAN AS THE FOCUS.
A MID LEVEL BOSS VISITED BUSAN FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPANDING THEIR POWER.
I WAS SENT BY THE OPPOSING PARTY IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE HIM.
BUT...

HUFF HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
BY THE TIME I REALIZED THEIR PLAN TO BETRAY ME IN ORDER TO GET RID OF THE EVIDENCE, IT WAS ALREADY TOO LATE.
MY WOUND WAS SO DEEP THAT IT WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE I BLED TO DEATH.
HUFF
FINALLY I..
SWARRA


VROOOM
SOUL
KLIK

ARE YOU
DYING?

CRUUUNCH
YOU'RE BLEEDING SO MUCH!
MI...
MISS!
PPA!

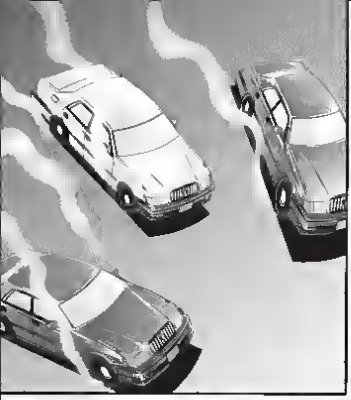
PHAK
WHAM
HWOK
DRIVE...!
HUFF

USELESS IDIOTS... YOU'RE ALL FRIED
BRRAAOOOM
DON'T TRY ANYTHING STUPID
I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THAT
YOUR KOREAN IS DECENT FOR A FOREIGNER
IS THAT A RUSSIAN ACCENT?
MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS!
WHAT THE HE...? SHE'S JUST A LITTLE GIRL
WHERE TO?
BUT WHY IS SHE SO CALM? SHE DOESN'T EVEN BAT AN EYE.

...
WE... WE'RE GOING TO THE PORT
YOU MUST HAVE NO PLACE TO GO.
WHAT ?!
YOU MUST BE A STRAY DOG DRIVEN OUT FROM YOUR PACK, RIGHT?!
ONE OF THOSE THAT WANDER MISERABLY AND DIE ON THE STREET LIKE TRASH.
YOU B***H...
PUT THAT AWAY
MY DRIVING S (NOT THE WEST SO DON'T GET IN MY WAY

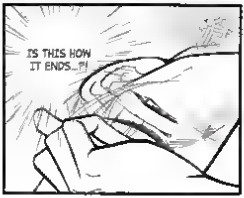
LIDA WAS 13 YEARS OLD THEN AND SHE WAS ALREADY DRIVING 7
DON'T' BE SO CYNICAL. MAYBE SHE LEARNED TO DRIVE JUST IN CASE
SHE WAS KIDNAPPED ... OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT

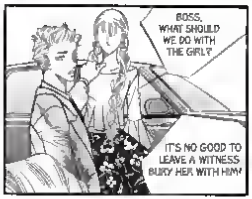
WHAT'S WITH THIS B*#@$!
DOESN'T SHE UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION SHE'S IN..?!
VROOM



KTHUNK

SON OF A B**CH!
WHY CAN'T YOU DIE QUIETLY INSTEAD OF ANNOYING US LIKE THIS..!


IS THIS HOW IT ENDS..?!


BOSS, WHAT SHOULD WE DO WITH THE GIRL?
IT'S NO GOOD TO LEAVE A WITNESS. BURY HER WITH HIM!

HM
B**CH... YOU THINK THIS IS FUNNY?
IF YOU TOUCH EVEN ONE STRAND OF MY HAIR...
YOU'LL BE AT THE SEA BOTTOM SOMEWHERE IN JEMOOLPO WITH CEMENT BLOCKS AROUND YOUR FEET BY TOMORROW MORNING
...!

WON'T YOU MAKE A DEAL WITH ME?
YOU B**CH! WHAT ARE YOU YAKKING ABOUT!
I'LL GIVE YOU ONE MILLION DOLLARS.
SO YOU WANT US TO TAKE THAT MONEY AND LET YOU GO?
YOU THINK YOUR FATHER'S GONNA PAY THAT MUCH, LITTLE GIRLY?
DON'T INSULT ME! I'M MUCH MORE VALUABLE THAN THAT!
I JUST WANT YOU TO WAIT ONE HOUR. AFTER THAT I DON'T CARE IF YOU KILL HIM OR LET HIM GO

ISN'T THAT A PRETTY GOOD DEAL?
BUT HIS LIFE IS MINE FOR THAT HOUR.
B... BOSS...
WH.. WHO... ARE YOU?
SHE'S NO ORDINARY KID, THIS GIRL...
LIDA YOO.

Wann is the Queen of Mistakes

14. THE MASTER

DON'T MOVE. WE HAVE TO STOP THE BLEEDING
YOUR EXPENSIVE CLOTHES WILL GET BLOODY KID
IT DOESN'T MATTER
OBNOXIOUS B****D
HMPH!

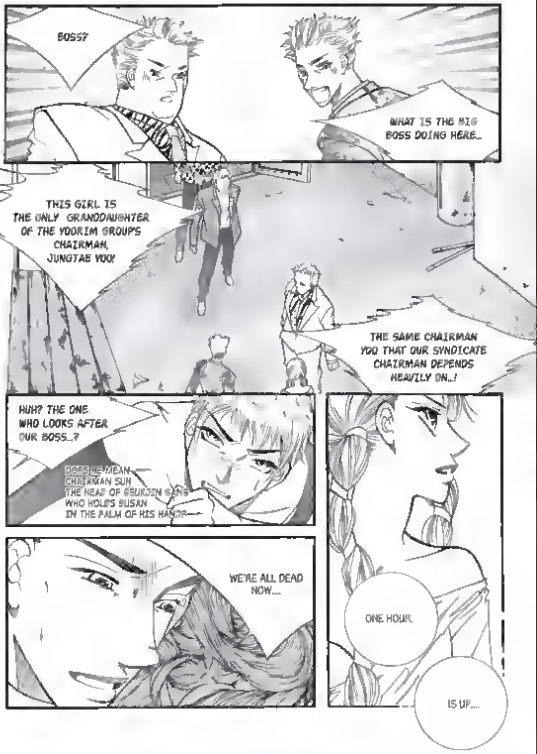
...YOU'RE PRETTY CUTE.
THE YOUNG ONES ARE ALWAYS FRESH-FACED
HOW OLD ARE YOU?
SHH

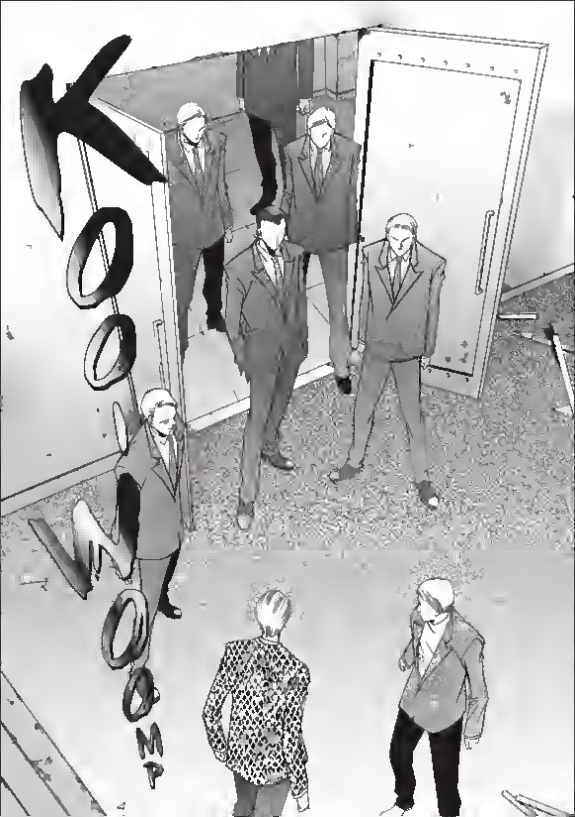
KWAM

YOU PUNK!
YOU WANNA DIE..?!
ALRIGHT. I'LL KILL YOU!
WHAT THE HELL AM I DOING?
WHY AM I PROTECTING SOME GIRL WHEN MY LIFE'S AT STAKE...?

THEN AGAIN... I'M THE ONE WHO GOT HER INTO THIS...
CRASH!
THAT'S FUNNY. I GUESS PEOPLE FIND THEIR CONSCIENCE RIGHT BEFORE THEY DIE.
STOP!
HE'S MINE FOR ONE HOUR. DID YOU FORGET THAT?
YOU SHOULD BE THANKFUL THAT I SPARED YOUR LIFE!
SNOBBY BITCH! I CAN'T PUT UP WITH YOU ANYMORE...!
RRIIP

SHIT..!
..SHE'S LAUGHING..?
KER-BASH
YOU CRAZY BASTARDS! WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING?!


BOSS?
WHAT IS THE BIG BOSS DOING HERE..
THIS GIRL IS THE ONLY GRANDDAUGHTER OF THE YOORIM GROUPS CHAIRMAN, JUNGTAE YOO!
THE SAME CHAIRMAN YOO THAT OUR SYNDICATE CHAIRMAN DEPENDS HEAVILY ON..!
HUH? THE ONE WHO LOOKS AFTER OUR BOSS..?
DOES SHE MEAN CHAIRMAN SUH THE HEAD OF BUKSEON GANG WHO HOLDS BUSAN IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND?
WE'RE ALL DEAD NOW....
ONE HOUR
IS UP....


KOO-WOOMP

...YOU MESSED UP BIG TIME, TWIN BLADE.
I'M SORRY MY BOYS DIDN'T KNOW...!
PLEASE FORGIVE THEIR RUDENESS, MY LADY
I JUST WANT TO GO BACK TO THE HOTEL AND WASH UP
I WILL TAKE YOU THERE.

AND
I'LL TAKE THIS GUY WITH ME.
SORRY BUT HE'S WANTED BY THE RUSSIAN MAFIA..!
WHOOSH
...WILL THAT BE ALL?
HA~AH

THIS RUSSIAN HITMAN IS DEAD
TAKE CARE OF IT
HUHF BUT...
WILL THE RUSSIANS BELIEVE THAT?
THEY WILL WHEN WE GIVE THEM A CORPSE.
FUSH..
EEEAAAE

OH!
A PROMISE IS A PROMISE.
FWIK
FWIK
RIP
TAP
THANKS FOR WAITING

EEAAAAHHHHH

I COULDN'T BELIEVE IT
THE KID WHO LOOKED NO OLDER THAN THIRTEEN OR FOURTEEN.
DIDN'T CARRY HERSELF WITH THE AIR OF A YOUNG GIRL.
BUT WITH THAT OF A CONQUEROR. A CRUEL GODDESS.
THOSE IMAGES FADED IN MY CONSCIOUSNESS AND BECAME MERGED WITH HER.
AND THAT... FIT HER VERY WELL.
ENOUGH TO FRIGHTEN ME.

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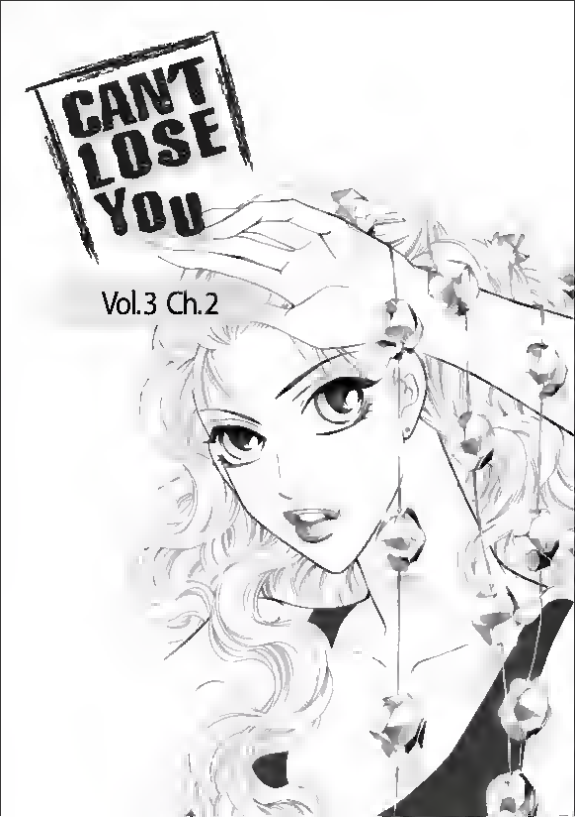


SHWOOM

DON'T WORRY
THE DOCTOR WHO TREATED YOU WON'T REPORT YOU TO THE POLICE.

JUST.
HOW ?

THE GELICIN BOSS MAY BE JUST A GANGSTER BUT HE IS EXPANDING HIS LEGAL BUSINESSES, UNDER MY GRANDFATHER'S PROTECTION.
IN RETURN, HE TAKES CARE OF THE THINGS THAT WOULD DIRTY MY GRANDFATHER'S HANDS... A GOOD TRADEOFF.
SO IT'D BE QUITE DISTRESSFUL IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO ME IN BUSAN, DON'T YOU THINK?

YOU WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN TAKEN AT ALL IF YOU'D REVEALED YOUR IDENTITY FROM THE BEGINNING
BUT THEN I WOULD HAVE HAD TO LEAVE YOU BEHIND
I NEEDED IT TO GET SO MAD THAT CHAIRMAN SUH HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO HAND YOU OVER TO ME.
THIS IS TODAY'S EVENING PAPER.
THE BURNED BODY OF AN ILLEGAL RUSSIAN ENTRANT WAS FOUND
A MYSTERIOUS MURDER CA
ISN'T IT STRANGE TO SEE AN ARTICLE ABOUT YOUR DEATH?
WHY?
WHY ME?!

BECAUSE I WAS BORED...!
THERE'S NOTHING INTERESTING THESE DAYS...
JUST THEN, I WONDERED HOW IT WOULD FEEL TO SAVE A DYING PERSON'S LIFE.
YOU OBNOXIOUS LITTLE BIRL...!
WATCH YOUR MOUTH ! I'M YOUR LIFE SAVER!

DID I ASK YOU TO? SOMEONE LIKE YOU...
A LITTLE GIRL LIKE YOU...!
WHOA- THAT'S QUITE A TEMPER.
WHAT'S THE PROBLEM? IN ANY CASE, YOU'RE FREE NOW.
FREE?! HA! WHAT FREEDOM?!
FREEDOM WITH NO PLACE TO GO BACK AND NOTHING TO DO?
YOU'RE NOT MAD BECAUSE YOU GOT SAVED BY A KID ARE YOU?
I...

I WAS BORN AS TRASH AND GREW UP AS TRASH.
PERHAPS DYING AS TRASH WAS MY INTENDED FATE.
BUT YOU EXTENDED THAT FATE!
I WAS WAITING FOR MY TIME TO COME...
THEN EVERYTHING WOULD BE OVER
I'M NOT THANKFUL FOR YOU SAVING MY LIFE!
I DON'T KNOW A DAMN THING ABOUT LIVING ANY OTHER WAY!
MY LIFE FROM NOW ON...
IS A BLANK SLATE THAT I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO GET IN THE FIRST PLACE!

.. THEN,
GIVE IT TO ME!
YOUR LIFE---
GIVE IT TO ME.

I... NEED SOMEONE.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT KINDS OF THINGS ARE WAITING FOR ME ON MY PATH AHEAD
I NEED SOMEONE TO WALK THAT PATH WITH ME.
SOMEONE WHO HAS NOTHING LEFT TO LOSE. SOMEONE WHO CAN'T BE BOUGHT WITH MONEY
BUT SOMEONE WHO IS WILLING TO GIVE ME HIS FATE.
WHEN I SAW YOUR EYES, AS WILD AS THOSE OF A STRAY DOG
I THOUGHT PERHAPS YOU COULD BE THAT PERSON

WAS THERE EVER
ANYONE AS OVERPOWERING AS HER?
YOU...

WHAT ARE YOU?
YOU ALREADY KNOW
HOO-

WHAT THE HELL.
THIS WAS IT
IN THE END

BUT
WHAT
IS THIS
NOW?

THE EMPTINESS
THAT COULDN'T
EVER BE FILLED

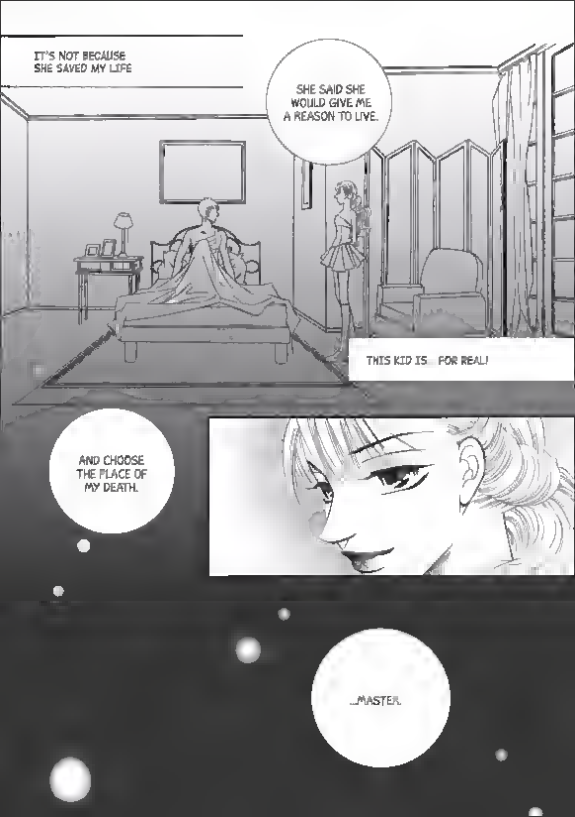
PROMISE ME.

WITHOUT
A THOUGHT
LIKE A BULLET
FIRED INTO
THE AIR...

I WAS FLYING
RECKLESSLY
BUT IT WAS
ALL UNREAL
AS IF I WAS
HAVING A
NIGHTMARE...

THIS
FEELING
AS IF I'M
ALIVE

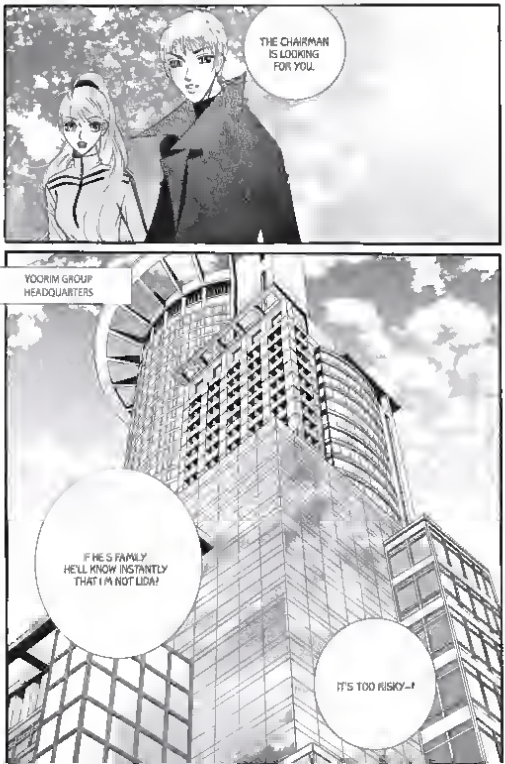
FROM DEEP
WITHIN
MY HEART


IT'S NOT BECAUSE SHE SAVED MY LIFE
SHE SAID SHE WOULD GIVE ME A REASON TO LIVE.
THIS KID IS... FOR REAL!
AND CHOOSE THE PLACE OF MY DEATH.
...MASTER.

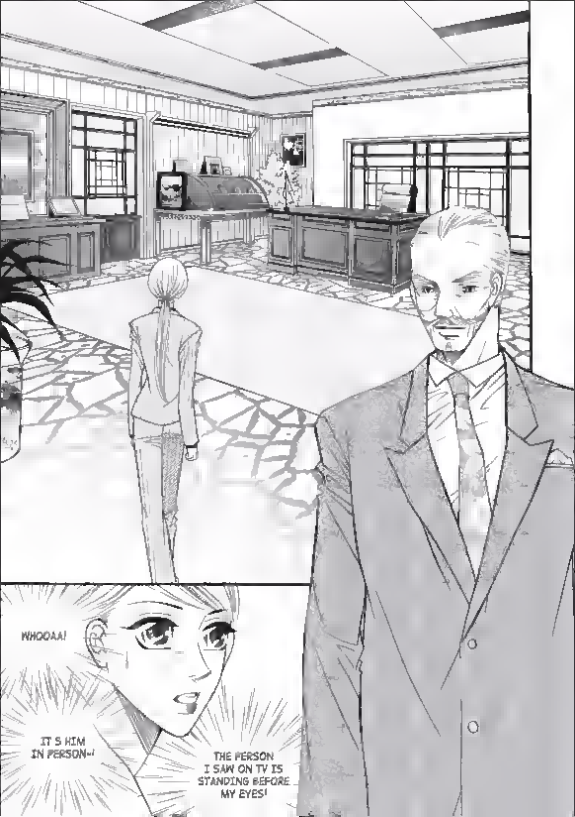
...I AM A DOG
I NEED SOMEONE TO COMMAND ME.
BUT IF FREEDOM EXISTS FOR SOMEONE LIKE ME... IT WOULD BE THE FREEDOM TO CHOOSE MY MASTER.
I... CHOSE LIDA.
HOW SHOULD I PUT IT... THEIR RELATIONSHIP IS DIFFERENT FROM LOVE OR RESPECT

I MUST NOT HAVE KNOWN LIDA TOO WELL UNTIL NOW
I THOUGHT SHE WAS A STUBBORN SPOILED KICHI-KID WITH A NASTY PERSONALITY
I SEE THAT LIDA IS STRONG
WELL, SHE USUALLY DOES ACT CHILDISHLY
I ALSO THINK SHE DOES THAT ON PURPOSE. OR MAY BE SHE'S TOO THREATENING
YOU ARE STRONG TOO.
IN A DIFFERENT WAY FROM LIDA

YOU ARE.
WHAT MAKES LIDA STRONG IS HER PRIDE AND WILL
BUT THIS GIRL'S STRENGTH IS... WARMTH
BUT THAT WARMTH IS FOREIGN TO ME. SO IF I M NOT CAREFUL IT MIGHT BURN ME EVEN WITH JUST A LITTLE TOUCH
SHE IS THE KIND OF PERSON THAT I DON'T KNOW
WHAT WOULD'VE HAPPENED TO ME IF I HAD MET YOU BEFORE LIDA?
MISS?


THE CHAIRMAN IS LOOKING FOR YOU.
YOORIM GROUP HEADQUARTERS
IF HE'S FAMILY HE'LL KNOW INSTANTLY THAT I'M NOT LIDA!
IT'S TOO RISKY--!

JUST DON'T SAY ANYTHING. DON'T MEET EYES WITH THE CHAIRMAN, AND EVERYTHING WILL BE ALRIGHT
HUH...?
MY LADY REALLY HATES THE CHAIRMAN.
MISS UDA IS HERE.
CREEE
GULP


WHOOAA!
IT'S HIM IN PERSON--!
THE PERSON I SAW ON TV IS STANDING BEFORE MY EYES!

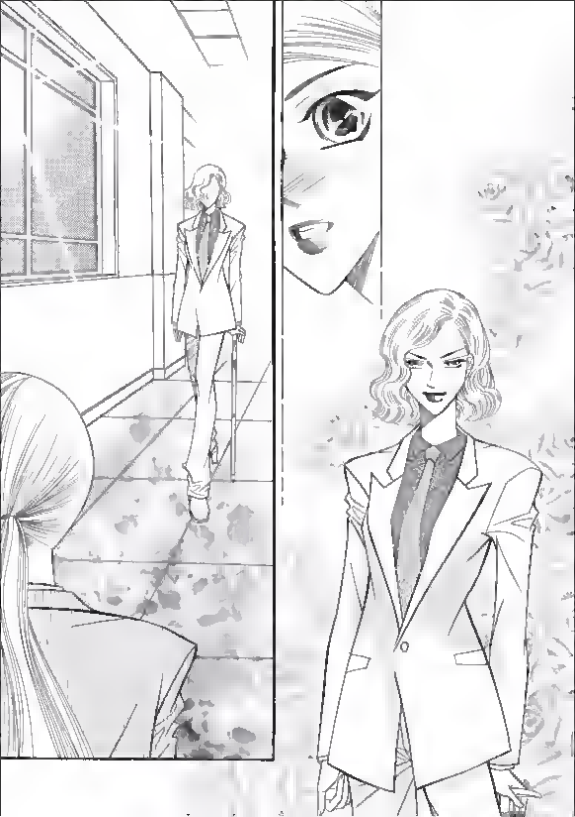
15. A GOOD GUY

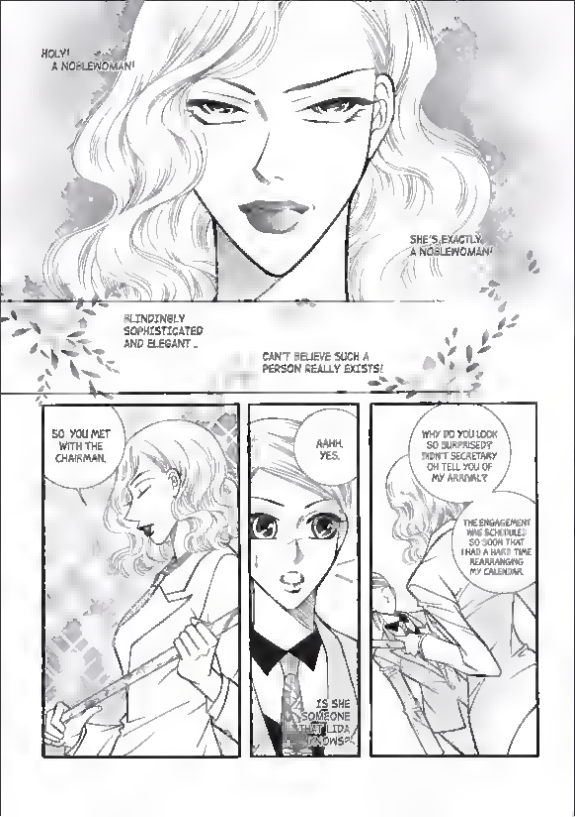
THERE YOU ARE.
OH. THE PRESSURE!
HE LOOKED LIKE A NORMAL OLD MAN ON TV, BUT NOW THAT I SEE HIM IN PERSON, THERE'S A HEAVY OPPRESSIVE AURA MAKING ME
JUST STANDING IN FRONT OF HIM IS INTIMIDATING
OF COURSE THE FOUNDER OF THE YOOKIM EMPIRE WOULDN'T BE AN ORDINARY MAN
KRIZZ
I HAVE SET THE DATE FOR YOUR ENGAGEMENT PARTY

IT IS IN TWO DAYS.
THE SCHEDULE IS RATHER TIGHT SO MAKE YOUR PREPARATIONS ACCORDINGLY
WHY SO SOON ?
IT WILL WORK FAVORABLY WITH THE OIL COMPANY HEADER.
I MUSTN'T MISS SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY
SO YOU'RE COMPLETELY MANIPULATING EVEN YOUR ONLY GRANDDAUGHTER'S ENGAGEMENT AS WELL?
WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH YOU?
YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER!
CHHSST
YOU KNOW THAT YOU CANNOT HAVE YOUR OWN PRIVATE LIFE!

BUT..!
SOMEHOW .. I THINK I KNOW WHY LIDA HATES THIS MAN
THE NAME LIDA YOU DOES NOT ONLY BELONG TO YOU!
YOU ARE MY FLESH, MY INCARNATION, WHO WILL CONTINUE MY EMPIRE.
YOU ARE MY OTHER SELF WHO WILL CONTINUE ON THE SAME PATH EVEN AFTER I DIE.

...I GAVE YOU YOUR DESTINY!
JUST REMEMBER THAT!
BAM
HOW CREEPY
I THINK I UNDERSTAND HOW LIDIA'S PERSONALITY GOT SO STRANGE.
NO, SHE MANAGED TO GROW UP WELL. VEEERY WELL!
IT'S NOT ALL GOOD BEING A BEAUTIFUL HEIRESS...
CLIK




HOLY! A NOBLEWOMAN!
SHE'S EXACTLY A NOBLEWOMAN!
BLINDINGLY SOPHISTICATED AND ELEGANT...
CAN'T BELIEVE SUCH A PERSON REALLY EXISTS!
SO, YOU MET WITH THE CHAIRMAN.
AAHH, YES.
IS SHE SOMEONE THE VILLEDA KNOWS?
WHY DO YOU LOOK SO SURPRISED? DIDN'T SECRETARY OH TELL YOU OF MY ARRIVAL?
THE ENGAGEMENT WAS SCHEDULED SO SOON THAT I HAD A HARD TIME REARRANGING MY CALENDAR.

WE'LL BE ABLE TO DINE TOGETHER TODAY FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MONTHS.
I'LL HAVE A RESERVATION MADE AT A GOOD PLACE.
NICE...
SCENT
SEE YOU LATER.
AHH. YES.
EXCUSE ME.
YOU...

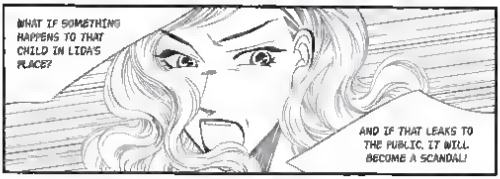
YOU DROPPED THIS!
KABA
WHAT IN THE WORLD HAVE YOU DONE?!

MADAM...
THAT KID WHO'S PRETENDING TO BE LIDA!
JUST WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?
PLEASE CALM DOWN
CALM DOWN!?
AT FIRST MISS LIDA STARTED THIS AS A JOKE, BUT...
THE THREATS TURNED OUT TO BE REAL, SO I CONTINUED IT ON MY OWN
BUT THIS ACT WILL END IN TWO DAYS!
THE BLACKMAILERS SENT A MESSAGE THAT THEY WOULD KILL HER AT THE ENGAGEMENT
WE ARE DEFINITELY GOING TO CATCH THEM, THIS TIME AND REVEAL THEIR IDENTITY!

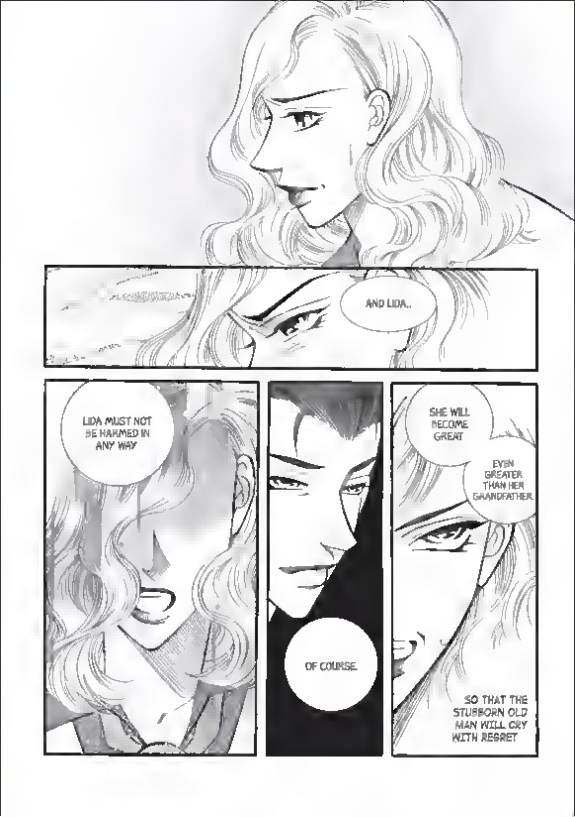
THAT CHILD HOW DID YOU FIND HER?
I DIDN'T FIND HER, MISS LIDA DID....
LIDA?
YES HER NAME IS YOOL.
KANG
MUTTER...
EXCUSE ME?
NO IT'S NOTHING
SO YOU'RE USING A COMPLETE STRANGER AS BAIT?
HOW COULD YOU ?!

YOU DON'T SOUND LIKE YOURSELF MADAM.

PLUS, YOO! KANG IS BEING FULLY COMPENSATED
SHE MADE HER DECISION FULLY UNDERSTANDING THE DANGER.

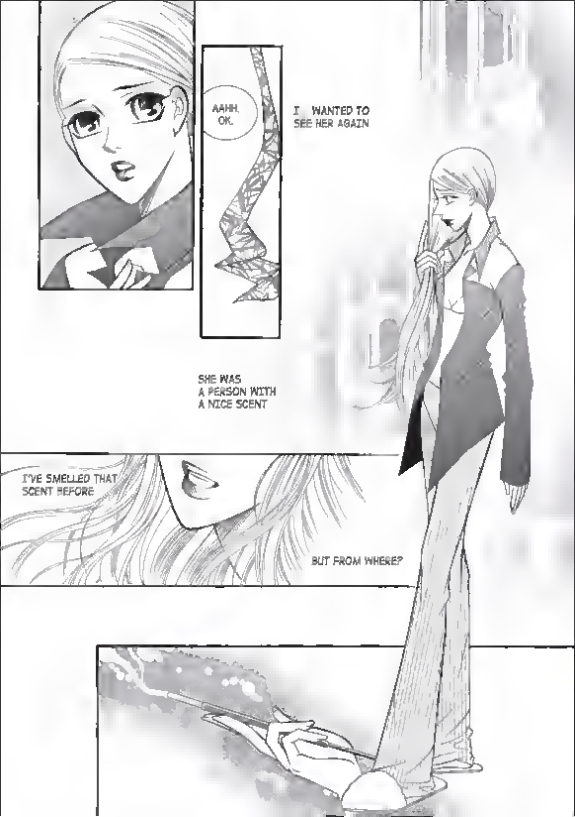

WHAT IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO THAT CHILD IN LIDA'S PLACE?
AND IF THAT LEAKS TO THE PUBLIC, IT WILL BECOME A SCANDAL!

THAT'S WHY I DECIDED TO TAKE CARE OF IT FROM MY END!
WITHOUT INVOLVING THE CHAIRMAN OR YOURSELF!
LEAVE IT TO ME! I WILL TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY!


AND LIDA..
LIDA MUST NOT BE HARMED IN ANY WAY
OF COURSE.
SHE WILL BECOME GREAT
EVEN GREATER THAN HER GRANDFATHER
SO THAT THE STUBBORN OLD MAN WILL CRY WITH REGRET

YOO! KANG
IS NOTHING
COMPARED TO
MISS LIDA

I WON'T FORGIVE YOU IF EVEN THE SMALLEST THING GOES WRONG!
SECRETARY OH. STAKE YOUR LIFE ON THIS
MISS.
YOUR MOTHER HAS HAD TO CANCEL DINNER PLANS BECAUSE AN URGENT MATTER HAS COME UP

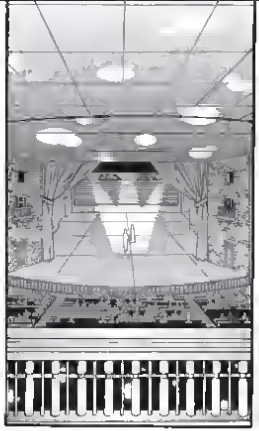

AAHH. OK.
I... WANTED TO SEE HER AGAIN
SHE WAS A PERSON WITH A NICE SCENT
I'VE SMELLED THAT SCENT BEFORE
BUT FROM WHERE?

HA-Ah
IS THIS REALLY...
MY FATHER?

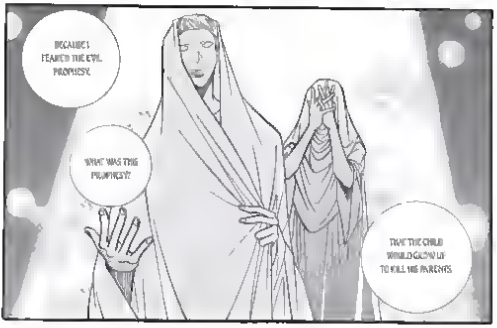
LUZERN, SWITZERLAND
ARE YOU TELLING ME...
NOT TO COME TO MY OWN ENGAGEMENT?
BUT MISS...
YOOI KANG WAS ALMOST KILLED TWICE!
I DON'T THINK THEY ARE BLUFFING ABOUT THE THIRD TIME EITHER.

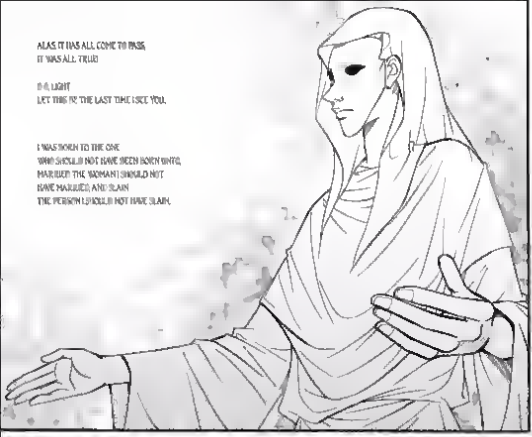
EVEN YOO! KANG MANAGED TO EVADE THAT ILL FATE.
DO YOU REALLY THINK I WOULD DIE THAT EASILY?
IT'S MY ENGAGEMENT... IT WILL BE ME AT MY ENGAGEMENT WITH GAON
IT HAS TO BE ON MY FINGER THAT GAON PLACES THE RING
HE'S MY FIANCÉ. AND IT'S MY ENGAGEMENT!
MISS!
THE GAME IS OVER.

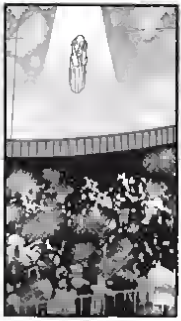
I'M GOING TO FLY BACK IMMEDIATELY!



THEY TOLD ME TO KILL THE CHILD
BUT HOW COULD YOU KILL YOUR OWN CHILD?


BECAUSE I FEARED THE EVIL PROPHESY.
WHAT WAS THIS PROPHECY?
THAT THE CHILD WOULD GROW UP TO KILL HIS PARENTS


ALAS, IT HAS ALL COME TO PASS.
IT WAS ALL TRUE!
O-O, LIGHT
LET THIS BE THE LAST TIME I SEE YOU.
I WAS BORN TO THE ONE
WHO SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN BORN UNTO,
MARRIED THE WOMAN I SHOULD NOT
HAVE MARRIED, AND SLAIN
THE PERSON I SHOULD NOT HAVE SLAIN.



CLAP
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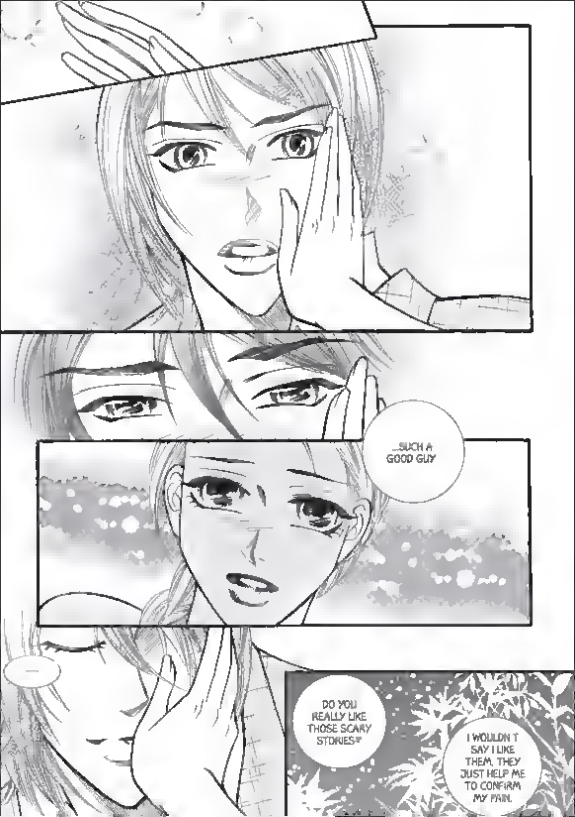
HOW WAS IT?
I WAS OBLIGATED TO COME BECAUSE I SUPPORTED THIS THEATRE FESTIVAL BUT MORE THAN THAT I WANTED TO GO ON A DATE WITH YOU.
OK.
I LIKE GREEK TRAGEDIES MORE THAN THE POPULAR COMEDIES
REALLY?
I CAN'T PICTURE THIS BOY GIGGLING WHILE WATCHING A COMEDY
YOU SEE, THE CRUEL NATURE OF MAN GETS CLEARLY REVEALED
I'VE COME TO SEE THIS PLAY "OEDIPUS" BY SOPHOCLES EVERY TIME THEY PERFORMED
HAHRN~

OH, SORRY ARE YOU SLEEPY?
GREEK TRAGEDIES CAN BE SOMEWHAT BORING
AH, NO, NO.
I'LL PICK SOMETHING LIGHTER NEXT TIME.
THAT'S ALRIGHT A REFINED GENTLEMAN SHOULDN'T LOWER HIMSELF TO THE LEVEL OF A LOWER PERSON.
BEH SORRY, SORRY
I CAN GO ANYWHERE YOU WANT I CAN DO COMEDY PLAYS, DAEHAKRO, STANDUP COMEDIES
I CAN ALSO GO TO THE CONCERT OF THE LATEST IDOL GROUP THAT GIRLS LOVE. EVEN TO A LINGERIE SHOP IF NECESSARY!!!
STAND COMEDY?
LINGERIE SHOP?
I DON'T HAVE ANY INTEREST
YOU AREN'T MAD ?
GAPIN' YOUR EYES
PSSS
?
TEE HEE
OH MAN, THIS GUY--!
IT'S SO NOT LIKE HIM, BUT HE'S SO CUTE SOMETIMES--!

BUT IT WAS A LITTLE...
HORRIFYING
OEDIPUS KILLS HIS FATHER JUST LIKE THE PROPHECY SAYS...
IS IT REALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO EVADE ONE'S FATE?
THE FATHER EVEN TRIES TO KILL HIS OWN SON IN ORDER TO EVADE HIS FATE.
BUT IN THE END EVERYTHING HAPPENS ACCORDING TO THE PROPHESY.
WELL, THE PROPHESY ACTUALLY CAME TRUE BECAUSE HE TRIED TO EVADE IT
NO MATTER HOW SMART YOU ARE, YOU'RE NOT A GOD PRETENDING TO BE SMART CAN COME BACK TO GET YOU IN TROUBLE.

I THINK THERE'S SUCH A THING THAT BECOMES MORE UNAVOIDABLE THE MORE YOU STRUGGLE.
GAON DO YOU BELIEVE IN FATE?
I DO.
EVER SINCE I MET YOU

THE FACT THAT I FOUND YOU AMONG 5 BILLION OR SO PEOPLE ON EARTH..
LOOK AT THE PROBABILITY IT'S A MIRACLE!
A MIRACLE?
HOW ELSE CAN YOU EXPLAIN IT IF IT ISN'T FATE?


...SUCH A GOOD GUY
...
DO YOU REALLY LIKE THOSE SCARY STORIES?
I WOULDN'T SAY I LIKE THEM. THEY JUST HELP ME TO CONFIRM MY PAIN.

I HAVE AN OEDIPUS COMPLEX.
YOU DON'T LIKE YOUR FATHER?
IT'S AN EVIL DESTINY... WITH MY OLD MAN
DON'T HATE HIM. THERE IS NOTHING IN THE WORLD THAT YOU CAN'T FORGIVE.
EVEN WHEN YOU THINK YOU KNOW IT ALL, YOU REALLY CAN'T KNOW EVERYTHING
YOU CAN'T KNOW SOMEONE'S FEELINGS UNLESS YOU ARE IN HIS SITUATION.
THERE ARE TIMES..
WHEN YOU CAN'T FORGIVE.

A HEART IS LIKE A DOUBLE EDGED SWORD
THE MORE YOU HATE SOMEONE, THE MORE YOU HURT YOURSELF
I HOPE...
YOU DON'T BECOME LIKE THAT GAON

AS LONG AS I HAVE YOU...!
...?
AS LONG AS I HAVE YOU, I WON'T HIT ROCK BOTTOM.
AS LONG AS I HAVE YOU.
I WON'T BECOME A MONSTER.

GAON...
I'LL BE GOOD
I WON'T MAKE YOU SHED A SINGLE TEAR FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.
JUST BE RIGHT NEXT TO ME. AND HOLD ME FROM TIME TO TIME.
AND SCOLD ME TOO IF I TRY TO DO SOMETHING BAD
YOU WILL DO THAT FOR ME?
...HUH?

GAON... YOU'RE A LITTLE...
LIKE A FOOL.
YEAH
YOU RE SUCH...
A GOOD GUY.
BUT I'M...

A BAD GIRL..
A BAD GIRL..
A BAD GIRL..

CAN'T LOSE YOU

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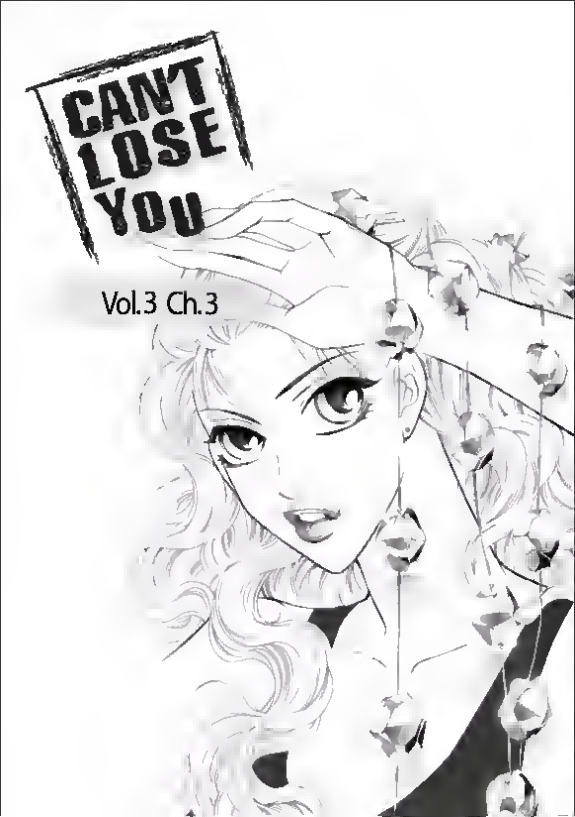
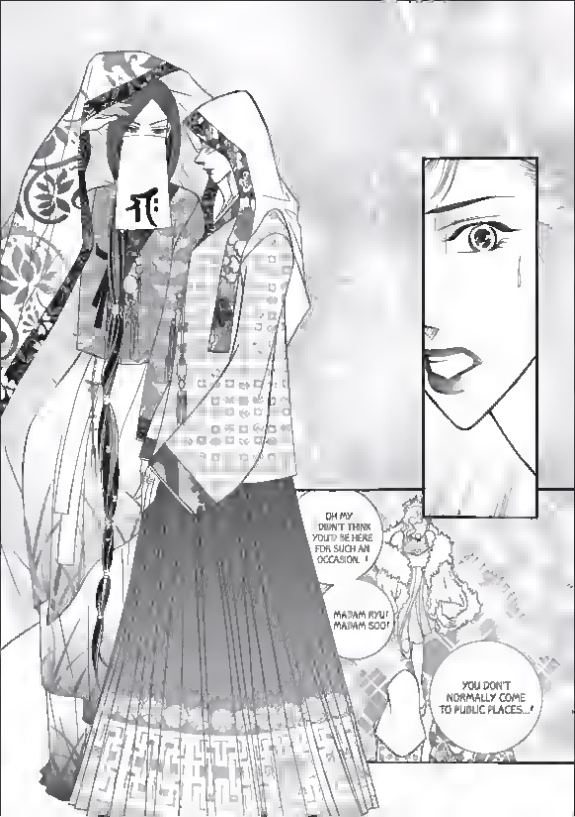
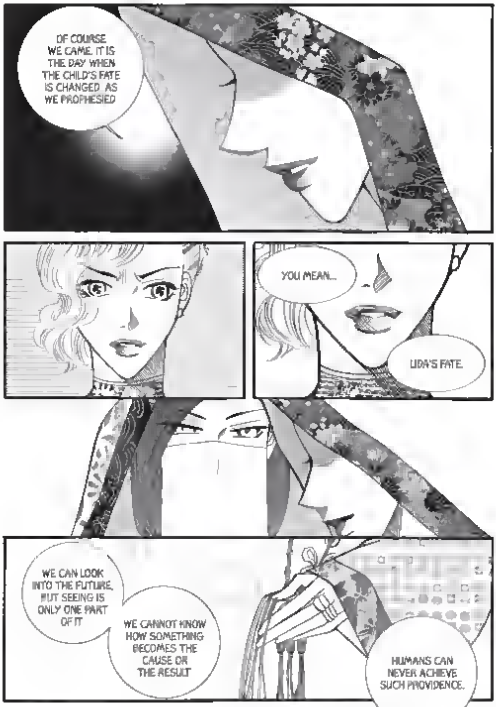


16. THE ENGAGEMENT

GAON GIL LIDA 100
ENGAGEMENT RECEPTION ROOM
2ND FLOOR DIAMOND MALL


OH MY DIDN'T THINK YOU'D BE HERE FOR SUCH AN OCCASION...!
MADAM RYU! MADAM SOO!
YOU DON'T NORMALLY COME TO PUBLIC PLACES...?


OF COURSE WE CAME. IT IS THE DAY WHEN THE CHILD'S FATE IS CHANGED AS WE PROPHESIED
YOU MEAN...
LIDA'S FATE.
WE CAN LOOK INTO THE FUTURE, BUT SEEING IS ONLY ONE PART OF IT
WE CANNOT KNOW HOW SOMETHING BECOMES THE CAUSE OR THE RESULT
HUMANS CAN NEVER ACHIEVE SUCH PROVIDENCE.

THE MORE YOU STRUGGLE.
THE MORE YOU BECOME
ENTANGLED...

AS LONG AS I HAVE YOU...
I WON'T BECOME A MONSTER.
I SHOULD'VE RUN AWAY BEFORE IT GOT THIS FAR...!
NOK
NOK
CREE.
THEY SAY IT'S BAD LUCK TO SEE THE BRIDE BEFORE THE WEDDING BUT IT DOESN'T MATTER FOR THE ENGAGEMENT RIGHT?

GAON..
WOW ! YOU LOOK REALLY PRETTY !
IF THE ENGAGEMENT IS THIS FANCY I WONDER HOW THE WEDDING WILL BE.
CHAIRMAN YOO MUST REALLY WANT TO TAKE EVERY ADVANTAGE OF THIS ENGAGEMENT
YOU DON'T LOOK SO GOOD
N, NO IT'S NOTHING
ARE YOU NERVOUS?

I
DID SOMETHING TERRIBLE THAT CAN'T BE REVERSED
WHAT?
YOU WERE RIGHT ABOUT SOME THINGS.
BEING UNFORGIVABLE.
YOU WILL NEVER FORGIVE ME.
THERE IS ONLY ONE THING THAT I WON'T FORGIVE YOU FOR!

LEAVING ME.
THAT'S NOT IT RIGHT? THEN I CAN FORGIVE EVERYTHING ELSE.
SO EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE.

I'M SORRY
I'M SORRY...
I'M SORRY...
I'M SORRY...!!

DID I GIVE YOU TOO MUCH OF A BURDEN?
DID I PUSH YOU TOO MUCH AND DO THINGS MY WAYS?
TELL ME! I'LL FIX IT I'LL FIX WHATEVER IT IS!
IT... IT'S. NOT THAT
I M LEAVING I LL HAVE TO LEAVE

BUT... WHAT DO I DO WHEN I HAVE TO LIVE WITHOUT YOU?
NO, WHAT IF I CAN'T BEAR TO LIVE WITHOUT YOU?
I'M SORRY...
I'M SORRY THAT WE MET .. I M SORRY THAT YOU CAME TO TRUST ME
I'M SORRY THAT I WAS HAPPY WHEN I WAS WITH YOU
I'M SORRY..
AND ..
I'M SORRY THAT I LOVE YOU

LIDA YOO...!
I...
I HAVE TO TELL HIM
I JUST HAVE TO
EVEN IF GAON ENDS UP HATING ME... I CAN'T LIE TO HIM ANYMORE!
I...
ACTUALLY I...
I HAVE TO TELL HIM!

SQUEEEE
MISS SOMETHING IMPORTANT HAS COME UP
—?

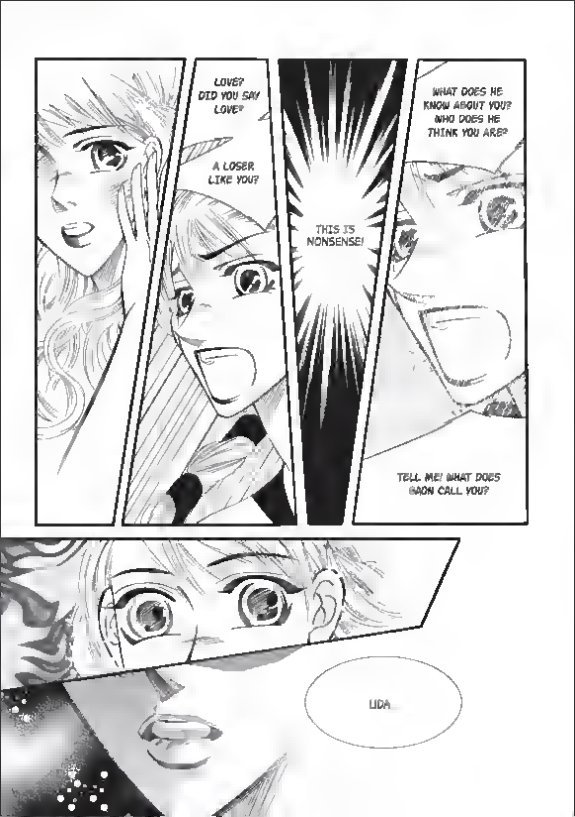
MY LADY MUST HAVE GOTTEN NERVOUS BECAUSE IT'S SUCH AN IMPORTANT DAY
PLEASE EXCUSE US FOR A MOMENT
YES, OF COURSE.
IT'S ALRIGHT JUST TRUST ME.
WE WILL BE HAPPY
WE CAN BE VERY HAPPY TOGETHER.

SLAM
YOU'VE SENT EVERYONE OUT... WH. WHAT'S THE MATTER?
CLIK

LIDA YOO...!!!
GOOD JOB YOO! KANG.
I'LL TAKE IT FROM HERE.

...NO!
WHAT?
NO, LIDA YOO.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING YOOI KANG!
I'M THE ONE THAT GAON LOVES!

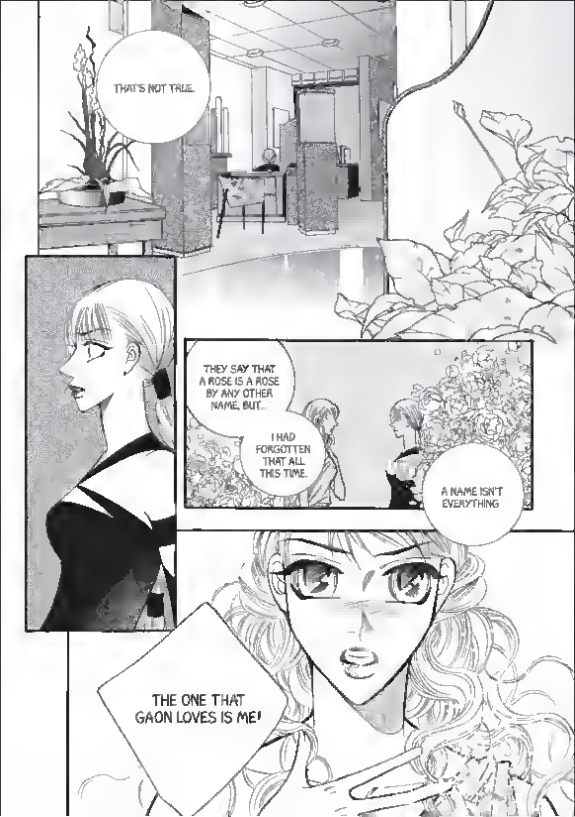
AND I...
LOVE GAON TOO!
IT CAN'T BE THIS WAY!
IT'S WRONG IN SO MANY WAYS!
DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?
SLAAAP


LOVE? DID YOU SAY LOVE?
A LOSER LIKE YOU?
THIS IS NONSENSE!
WHAT DOES HE KNOW ABOUT YOU? WHO DOES HE THINK YOU ARE?
TELL ME! WHAT DOES HAON CALL YOU?
LIDA

RIGHT.
YOU JUST MET
HIM IN MY PLACE,
AS LIDA YOO!
I WAS MYSELF IN
FRONT OF GA-ON...
THEN, DID YOU TELL HIM?
WHEN HE FINDS
OUT YOUR TRUE
IDENTITY...
WHEN HE LEARNS THAT
YOU'RE PENNILESS AND NO
DIFFERENT FROM TRASH,
DO YOU THINK HIS FEELINGS
WILL STAY THE SAME?

WHEN HE REALIZES THAT YOU ARE NOT FIT FOR HIM AT ALL?
EVEN WHEN HE LEARNS THAT YOU'VE BEEN LYING AND PLAYING HIM ALL THIS TIME?
STOP..!
FLOP
STOP
GRI

THERE IS NOTHING YOU CAN DO FOR HIM.
YOU'D ONLY TAKE THINGS AWAY FROM WHAT HE HAS
YOU'RE AN OUTSIDER!
OUR WORLDS ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT!


THAT'S NOT TRUE.
THEY SAY THAT A ROSE IS A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME, BUT...
I HAD FORGOTTEN THAT ALL THIS TIME.
A NAME ISN'T EVERYTHING
THE ONE THAT GAON LOVES IS ME!

NOT THE NAME LIDA BUT JUST ME!
STAGGER
...I LOVE HIM TOO.
I NEED HIM! I WANT HIM!
I KNEW THAT THE FIRST TIME I SAW HIM.
HE IS THE ONLY MAN WHO CAN SHARE MY DESTINY
I CAN'T LOSE HIM TO ANYONE!
EVEN IF I HAVE TO ELIMINATE EVERYTHING THAT STANDS IN MY WAY!

YOU'LL TURN HIM INTO A MONSTER!
BUT HE SAID... HE DOESN'T WANT TO BE THAT WAY!
YOU SPITEFUL THIEF
I DON'T LIKE MAKING THREATS, BUT YOU REALLY GOT ME MAD...!

YOU SHOULD KNOW SINCE YOU LIVED AS ME FOR SOME TIME.
I CAN TURN YOU INTO A CRIPPLE IN A SECOND!
YOU MUST HAVE FORGOTTEN WHO YOU ARE WHILE PRETENDING TO BE ME, BUT IF YOU KEEP ACTING UP I'LL LOCK YOU UP IN THE MENTAL HOSPITAL!
AND EVEN YOUR FANTASTIC DAD!
KTHUMP
DON'T YOU DARE COME AROUND ME AND GAON EVER AGAIN!
FLWHAP

JUST TAKE YOUR MONEY AND LEAVE!
IT'S THE PRICE OF YOUR LIFE.. MORE THAN YOU EVER DREAMED OF EVER HAVING IN YOUR LIFE!
RRIIP
WHAT I'VE TAKEN FROM YOU IS SOMETHING THAT CAN'T BE BOUGHT BACK WITH MONEY

CAN'T LOSE YOU

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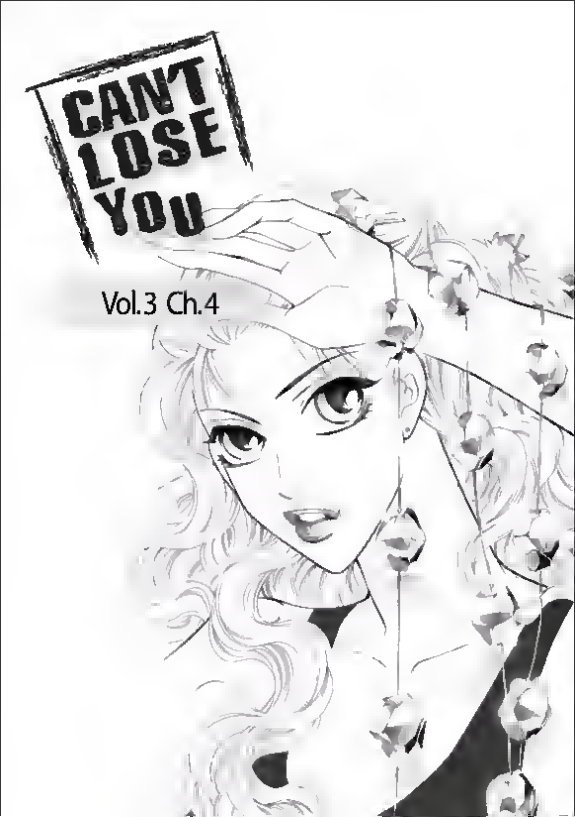
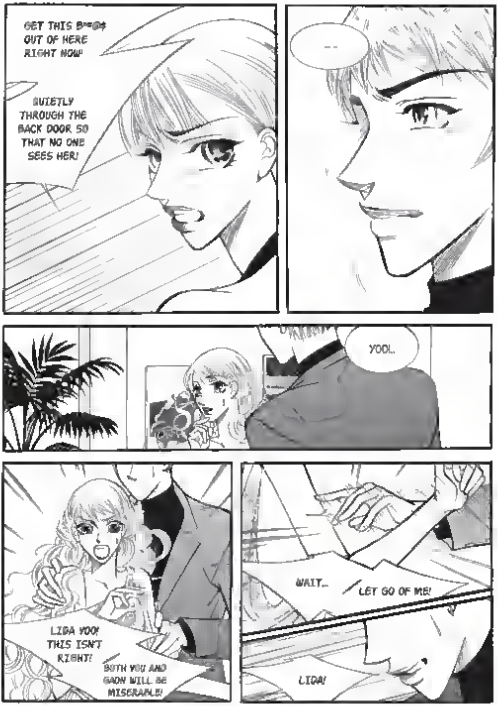


17. WHO ARE YOU, WHO AM I?

ILYA!


GET THIS B**CH OUT OF HERE RIGHT NOW!
QUIETLY THROUGH THE BACK DOOR SO THAT NO ONE SEES HER!
...
YOOL
LIDA YOO! THIS ISN'T RIGHT!
BOTH YOU AND GAON WILL BE MISERABLE!
WAIT...
LET GO OF ME!
LIDA!

STOP BEING
STUBBORN AND
THINK ABOUT IT!

TAPP

AHH...

SHWOOM
GO
STEP ASIDE!
...JUST GO! TO WHERE YOU BELONG!

LIDA ISN'T SOMEONE YOU SHOULD UPSET
BUT GAON!
...IT'S A DREAM.
YOU JUST HAD A DREAM

WOW!
WOW!
AHHH...

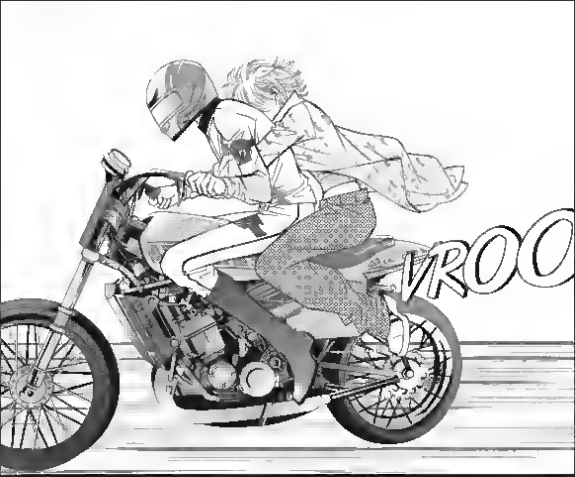
YOU DON'T BELONG HERE.
THIS PLACE IS TOO COLD... YOUR WARMTH IS NOT ENOUGH TO MELT IT
GO.

SQUEAL
YOU GOT KICKED OUT HUH?
FROM THAT FANCY HIGH CLASS WORLD...

I SAW YOU AND THAT RICH GIRL'S FACE.
NAO SUH
THEN I GOT THE GIST OF WHAT YOU WERE DOING
NOW STAND NEXT TO YOUR FIANCÉ...

COME HERE.
ONLY PEOPLE IN THE SAME SITUATION CAN HELP EACH OTHER.

A DREAM...
A DREAM HAS TO END SOMEWHERE, RIGHT?
NOD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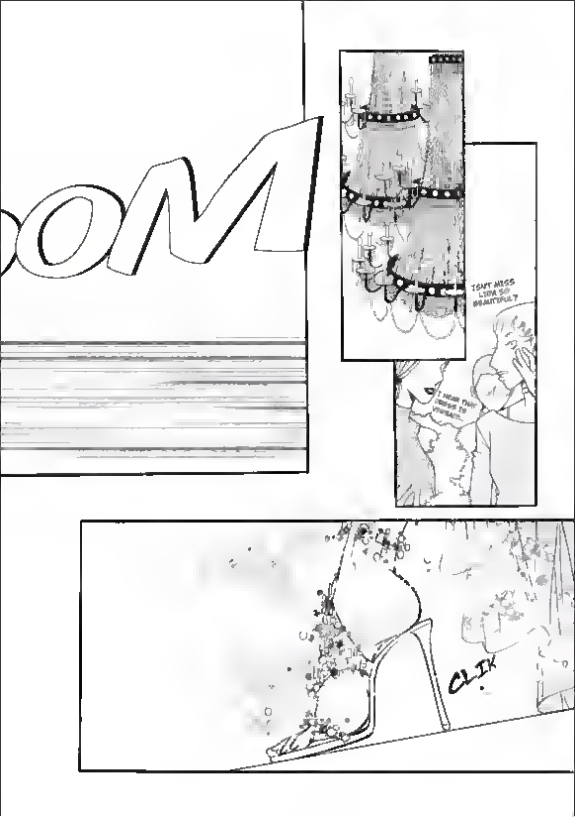
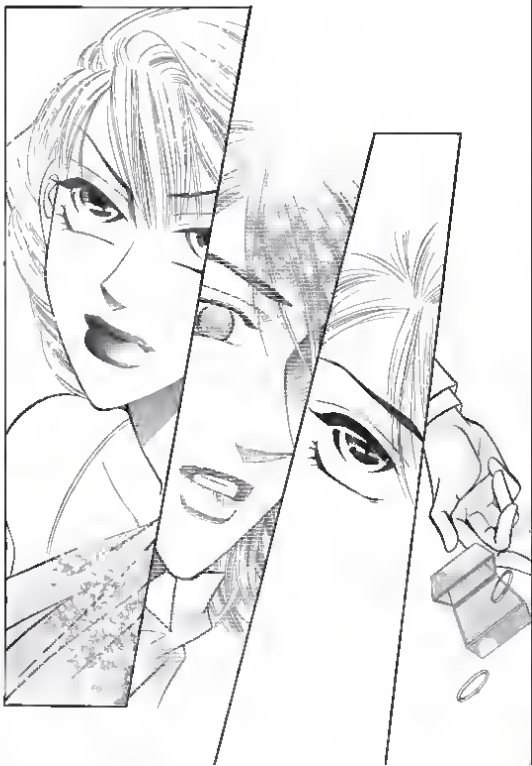

OOM
DON'T MISS LIRA SO BEAUTIFUL?
I HEAR THAT MAGIC IS CHANGING
CLIK



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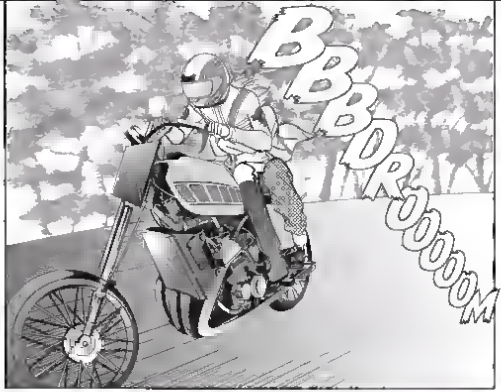
WHO...

ARE YOU?

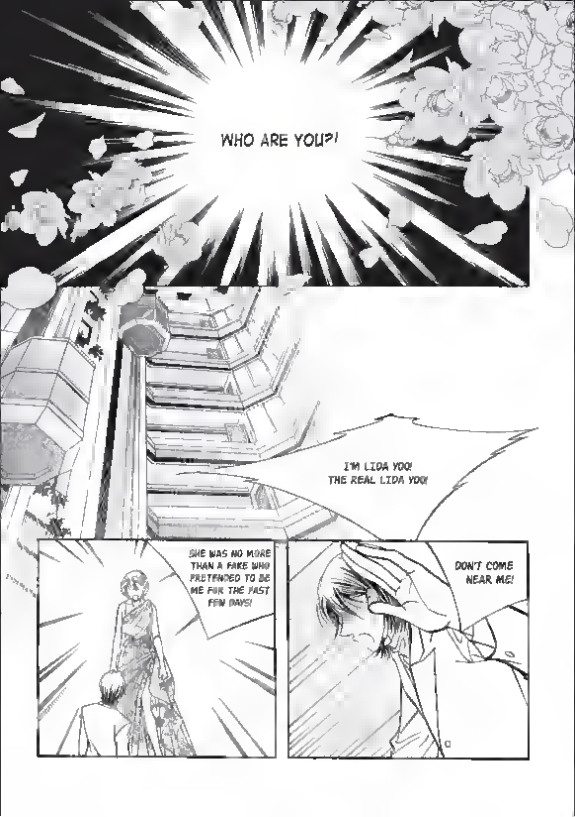

BBBDROOOOM

YOU CAME FOR ME?

IT KEPT BUGGING ME.
YOU GOT NO ONE TO HELP YOU. AND YOU'RE A STUPID GIRL WITH NO SENSE OF ADAPTABILITY

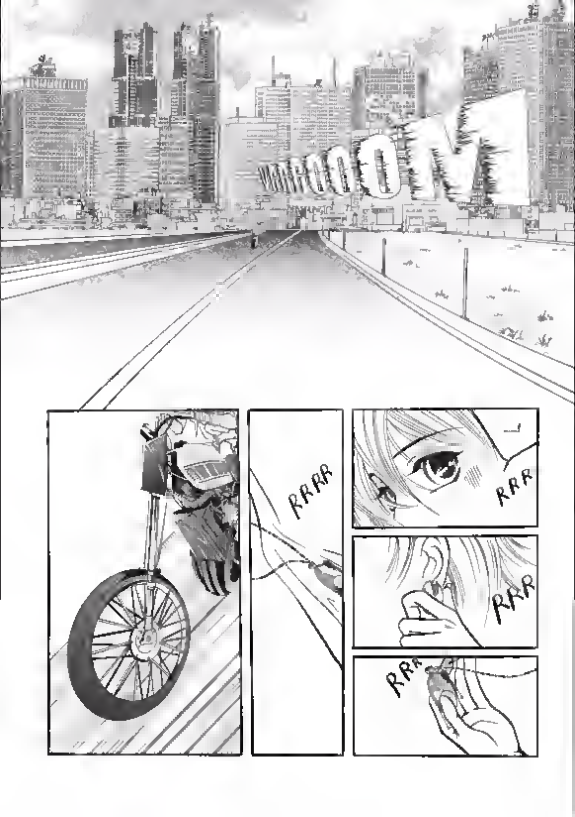
YOU'RE RIGHT I AM STUPID

FORGET ABOUT THOSE LOUSY BASTARDS!
GUYS LIKE THAT NEVER BECOME FRIENDS WITH PEOPLE LIKE US!
...
CLAAANNNK


WHO ARE YOU?!
I'M LIDA YOO!
THE REAL LIDA YOO!
SHE WAS NO MORE THAN A FAKE WHO PRETENDED TO BE ME FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS!
DON'T COME NEAR ME!

TO ME...
YOU'RE THE FAKE...!
YOUR FIANCÉE... IS ME!
I KNOW WHO I LOVE!
KWHAM
SAON!

I HAVE TO GO TO LIDA BUT...
SOMEHOW ..
I'VE LOST MY ENERGY...
RIGHT NOW...
I HATE YOU A LITTLE LIDA


RRRR
RRR
RRR
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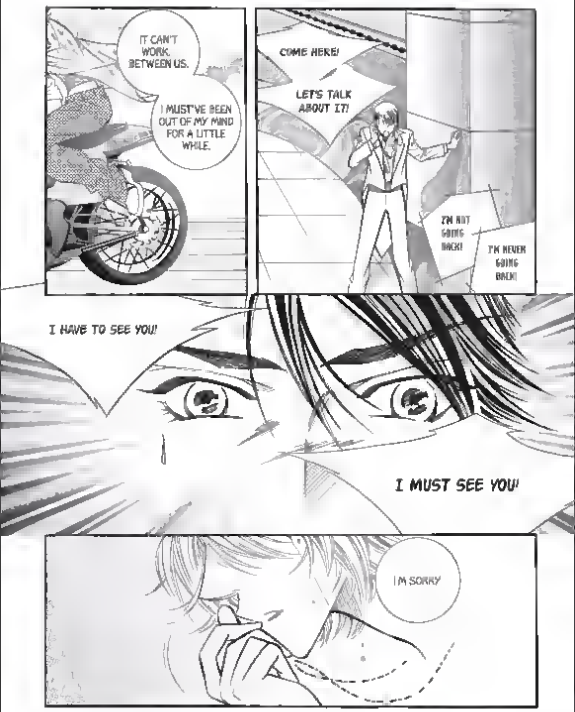
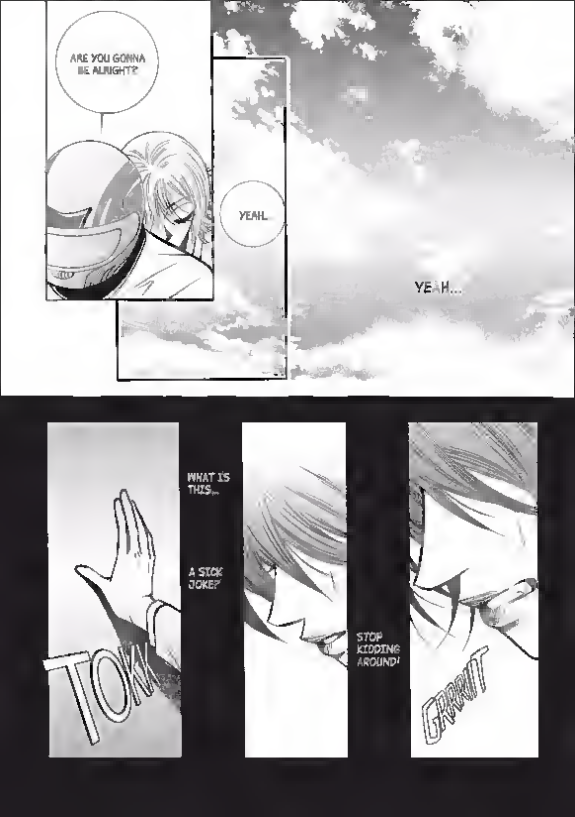
WHERE... ARE YOU?!
I'M SORRY I'M... NOT LIDA.
I'M SORRY I DIDN'T TELL YOU SOONER.
I DIDN'T MEAN TO DECEIVE YOU.
WHERE ARE YOU RIGHT NOW...?!
I SAID, WHERE ARE YOU?!


IT CAN'T WORK, BETWEEN US.
I MUST'VE BEEN OUT OF MY MIND FOR A LITTLE WHILE.
COME HERE!
LET'S TALK ABOUT IT!
I'M NOT GOING BACK!
I'M NEVER GOING BACK!
I HAVE TO SEE YOU!
I MUST SEE YOU!
I'M SORRY

CLICK
KTANGG


ARE YOU GONNA BE ALRIGHT?
YEAH.
YE-H...
TOK
WHAT IS THIS...
A SICK JOKE?
STOP KIDDING AROUND!
GRRRR

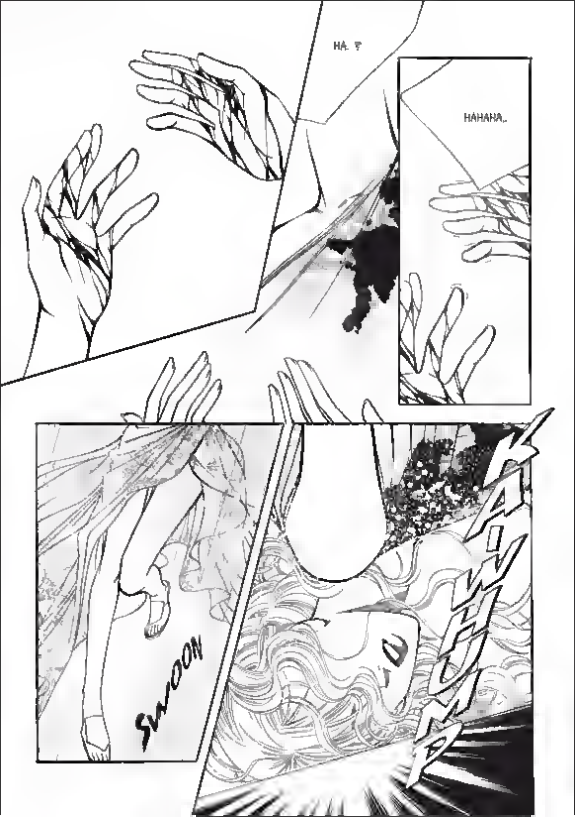
AAAAHH
A DREAM
HAS TO END SOMEWHERE

18. BLOOD

GAON GIL!

THE PERSON YOU CHOSE IS ME!
I'M THE ONE TO WHOM YOUR FATE IS CONNECTED!
WHY IS SHE THERE...

L..
ZING


HA. ?
HAHAHA..
SWOOSH
KAIHUN

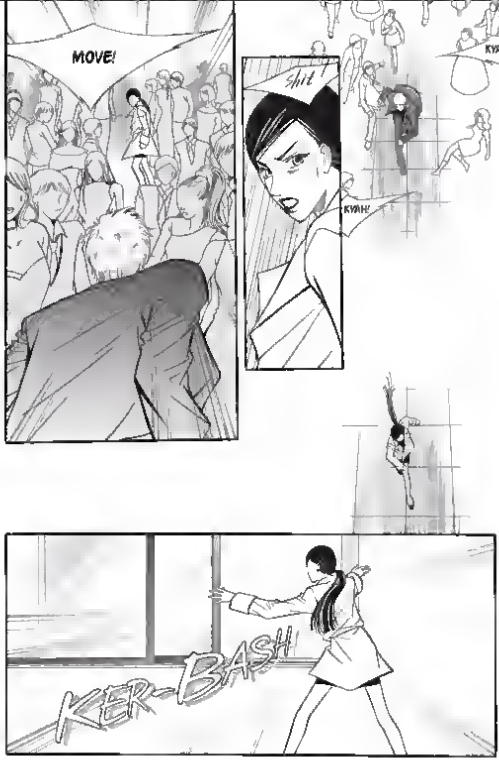
LIDA!
KAAHHH!
KAAAAAHHH!

LIDA!

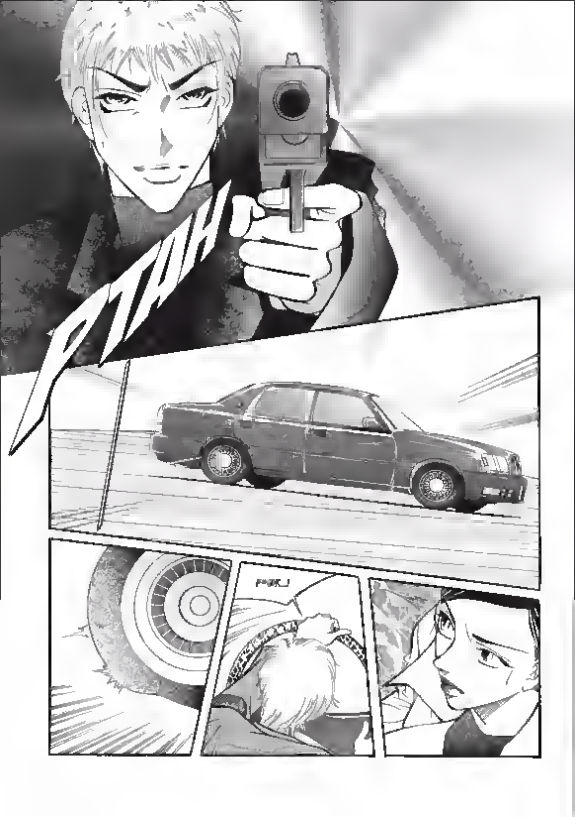
SHE'S STILL...

BREATHING...!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING? CALL AN AMBULANCE!
HURRY!
HE'S ALREADY


MOVE!
Shit
KYAH!
KYAH!
KER-BASH

SCREEK
KLIMP
VROOOOM


PTAH

KAA-WHUMP!!
SCREE!!
BASH

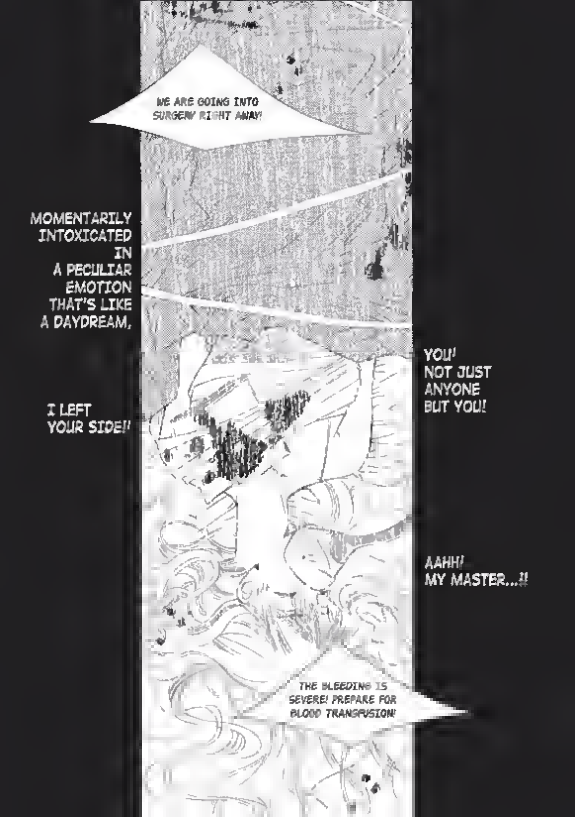
K-TANG
WHOOSH
THWAP

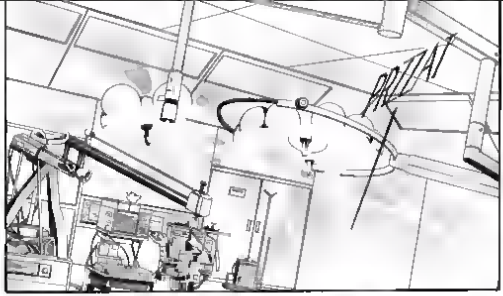
BEAAH!
ドガバキッ

WHY DID I DO THAT?
HOW COULD I DO THAT?

TO LEAVE YOU BY YOURSELF.

HOW COULD I LEAVE YOUR SIDE EVEN FOR A SECOND!


WE ARE GOING INTO SURGERY RIGHT AWAY!
MOMENTARILY INTOXICATED IN A PECULIAR EMOTION THAT'S LIKE A DAYDREAM,
I LEFT YOUR SIDE!!
YOU! NOT JUST ANYONE BUT YOU!
AAHH! MY MASTER...!!
THE BLEEDING IS SEVERE! PREPARE FOR BLOOD TRANSFUSION!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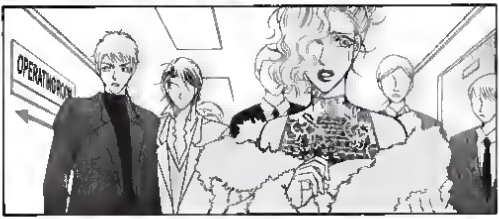
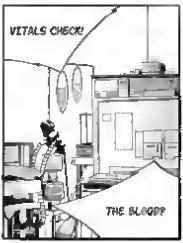

OPERATING ROOM


VITALS CHECK!
THE BLOOD?

DOC... DOCTOR, WE HAVE A BIG PROBLEM!

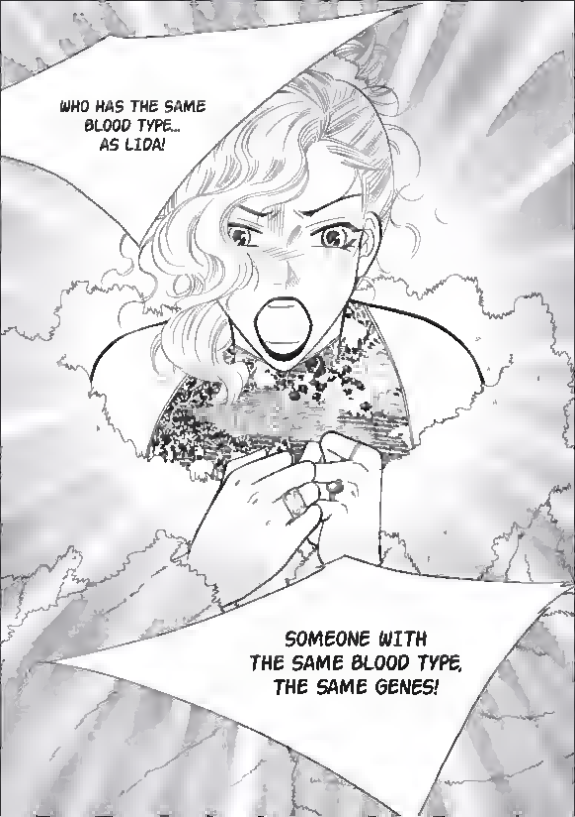
WHAT...?

WHAT DID YOU SAY?
WELL AS YOU KNOW MISS LIDA HAS A SPECIAL BLOOD TYPE...
I KNOW! MKMK BLOOD TYPE!
MK...MK?
IT'S THE RAREST BLOOD TYPE IN THE WORLD!
A BLOOD TRANSFUSION IS IMPOSSIBLE UNLESS IT'S WITH THE SAME MKMK TYPE!

WELL, ISN'T THIS HOSPITAL SUPPOSED TO STORE MKMK BLOOD?
IN CASE SOMETHING HAPPENS!
WELL. THERE MUST HAVE BEEN A PROBLEM WITH THE STORAGE.
I EXAMINED IT MYSELF AND IT ISN'T IN AN ACCEPTABLE CONDITION FOR A BLOOD TRANSFUSION.
WE'RE IN TROUBLE. WE HAVE TO GET THE BULLET OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. BUT
SHHHK
SHHHK
EVEN IF WE'RE LUCKY ENOUGH TO FIND THE MKMK BLOOD TYPE ABROAD BECAUSE OF THE TIME TO TRANSPORT IT

THERE IS. NOTHING WE CAN DO AT THIS TIME.
JUMP
DO SOMETHING!
GRIP
WHAT DO YOU MEAN THERE IS NOTHING YOU CAN DO!?!
DAMMIT! AREN'T YOU THAT GENIUS DOCTOR?!

WHAT CAN I DO WHEN WE DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TYPE OF BLOOD?!
TOSHIKI
DAMMIT!
LIDA YOO...!
MUTTER
MUTTER
THERE IS SOMEONE.


WHO HAS THE SAME BLOOD TYPE... AS LIDA!
SOMEONE WITH THE SAME BLOOD TYPE, THE SAME GENES!